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Funeral For Elder Longden Held In Assembly Hall

★ The saints in Great Britain were saddened at the death of Elder John Longden, Assistant to the Twelve, late in August. He, in company with his lovely companion, Sis. LaRue C. Longden, had spent considerable time in Great Britain earlier in the summer on Church assignments which culminated in his dedicating the beautiful new Visitors' Centre at the London Temple. Funeral services were held in the Assembly Hall on Temple Square in Salt Lake City.

His vigorous attitude and strength was felt by all who knew him and everywhere his influence for truth and righteousness made a lasting impression.



Elder John Longden

Having been born in Oldham, Lancashire, he had a great love for his homeland and enjoyed every opportunity repeated visits brought through the years, most of these under Church assignments. He went to Utah when 10 years of age with his parents, who were converts to the Church.

After filling a mission to the Central States he entered the insurance field, later turning to the new refrigeration industry ending in being area manager for a large electrical corporation until retirement in 1960.

His Church assignments have been many including bishop, twice a high councilman, and in 1950 appointed a member of the General Welfare Committee of the Church, followed by his being named an Assistant to the Twelve.

He supervised the missionary programme in various missions in the United States and Canada through the years and most recently was assigned to aid Elder Spencer W. Kimball of the Council of the Twelve, in this respect in the British Isles, an assignment which he thoroughly enjoyed.

Elder Longden married Frances LaRue Carr in the Salt Lake Temple. He is also survived by three daughters and eight grandchildren.

If Any Will Do His Will

By Elder Spencer W. Kimball

★ In experiences of mortality we sometimes suffer from optical illusions; we hear noises that do not exist; we experience nocturnal adventures quite unreal, and distorted; but in the spiritual realm one can have positive certainty, for the Lord has repeated numerous times the definite promise here expressed:

"If any man will do his will, he shall **know** of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself." (John 7:17. Italics added.)

In courts of law the witness is asked to take an oath that the information he is about to give is "the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth," and the statements made are called his "testimony." In spiritual matters, we may likewise have a testimony. This sureness of the spiritual is unique and pertains to the realness of a personal God; the continued active life of the Christ,

separate from but like His Father; the divinity of the restoration of the organisation and doctrines of God's Church on the earth and the power of the divine, authoritative priesthood given to men, through revelations from God.

These can be known as surely as that the sun shines, by every responsible person, and to fail to attain this knowledge is to admit that one has not paid the price. Like academic degrees it is obtained by intense strivings. That soul who is clean through repentance and the ordinances receives it if he desires and reaches for it, investigates conscientiously, studies, and prays faithfully.

AN OPEN DOOR

A sure knowledge of the spiritual is an open door to rewards attainable and joys unspeakable. To ignore the

testimony is to grope in caves of impenetrable darkness; to creep along in fog over hazardous highways. That person is to be pitied who may still be walking in darkness at noonday, who is tripping over obstacles which can be removed and who dwells in the dim flickering candlelight of insecurity and skepticism.

The testimony is the electric light illuminating the cavern; the wind and sun dissipating the fog; the power equipment removing boulders from the road. It is the mansion on the hill replacing the shack in the marshes; the harvester shelving the sickle and cradle; the tractor, train, automobile, and plane displacing the ox team. It is the rich nourishing kernels of corn instead of the husks in the trough. It is much more than all else, for —

"... this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent." (Ibid 17:3.)

Eternal life is the greatest gift. To obtain it is not easy. The price is high.

WHAT IS THE PRICE?

Nicodemus of old inquired the price. The answer perplexed him. Let us interview that good man who came so near and yet evidently missed the mark.

Your name is Nicodemus? You are a member of the powerful sect of the Pharisees? You are a member of the Jewish Sanhedrin? You knew the person from Nazareth called Jesus Christ? You heard His sermons and witnessed His miracles? You looked into His eyes and heard His voice?

You are a good man, Nicodemus, honourable and just, for you will yet defend our Lord before your colleagues, asking He be not condemned without a hearing. You are generous, for you will yet bring one hundred weight of aloes and myrrh to His burial. You have at least some faith, but have you courage enough to face criticism? You are identified as one who came under cover of darkness. In your senatorial seat you and your colleagues have impressive powers, making laws and controlling destinies.

It is night now. You have not been seen. You are addressing our Lord:

"Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him." (Ibid., 3:2.)

His ready answer wrinkles your brow. This is the simple total answer to the weightiest of all questions.

"Verily, verily I say unto thee, Except a man be born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." (Ibid., 3:3.)



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BUT, WHAT OF THE GOSPEL

You are well versed in the law, Nicodemus, but what of the Gospel? To gain eternal life there must be a rebirth, a transformation, and an unburdening self of pride, weakness, and prejudice. You must begin as a little child, clean, teachable. You seem not to understand.

"How can a man be born when he is old?" (Ibid., 3:4.) Your question is strange for a learned man. Must you reduce all to human logic. Must everything be rational to your finite, materialistic mind?

He says:

"Come unto me, and I will give you rest.

"Take my yoke upon you, and . . . ye shall find rest unto your souls." (Matt. 11:28-29.)

He expects you to divest yourself of every foreign thought, act, and inclination, and accept Him and live His plan. And the "rest," which is exaltation, will be your glory.

But you still do not seem to understand, Mr. Pharisee. Is it so complex? Are you afraid of what your brother Pharisees may think of you, fearful of losing your exalted place in the Sanhedrin? Or, do you not see? Certainly a little glimpse has been given you. You acknowledged the miracle worker must be sent from God, but the curtain so slightly opened will close again if you do not act upon the new knowledge being offered you.

BLINDED BY TRAINING

You are highly educated, my good man. Many sit at your feet to learn. Does your superior training blind you? Must a prophet or a God be measured in the test tubes of a physical laboratory? Can you not accept anything you cannot prove by the rules of the schools in which you studied?

You are not accepting it. The Lord is postulating again the necessary requirements:

"Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." (John 3:3)

That total answer came in one sentence of thirteen small words. You are wondering, weighing, Mr. Rationalizer. You seem impressed, but you are bound. How much you do not realize! Did you expect it in eloquent, impressive words? Is it frustrating in its simplicity? You are rationalizing, Sir. You cannot weigh this on the scales of your secular knowledge and training. They are too crude, mundane. You need finer mechanism.

HE IS PATIENT, KIND

Your question about returning to the mother's womb for rebirth — was it intended as a question, Mr. Intellectual, or to prove your superior logic; or to point out that Christ was irrational; or was it mere perplexity? He knows your professional background and culture and the analytical training you have had. He is so kind and patient. He will explain further in eighty-nine

words, sixty-five of which are one-syllable ones:

"Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

"That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

"Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.

"The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth; so is every one that is born of the Spirit." (Ibid., 3:5-8.)

How beautiful — how forceful — how positive! Is there excuse to question, to hesitate, to reject? O Nicodemus, this moment of crises cannot last long. You are on a perilous summit. Your decision can mean the difference between exaltation and a deprivation greater than you know. You had a spark of desire. Why did you extinguish it?



Prophecies Of Old Now Being Fulfilled

By Elder LeGrand Richards

★ I want to refer to two prophecies from the Book of Mormon. I quote the words of Moroni:

"For the eternal purposes of the Lord shall roll on, until all his promises shall be fulfilled.

"Search the prophecies of Isaiah . . ." (Mormon 8:22-23.)

Then I read a statement from Nephi: "... in the days that the prophecies of Isaiah shall be fulfilled men shall know of a surety, at the times when they shall come to pass.

"... for I know that they shall be of great worth unto them in the last days; for in that day shall they understand them; wherefore, for their good have I written them." (2 Nephi 25:7-8.)

We are all here today in fulfilment of the words of the prophets, and I love the prophecies of Isaiah because it seems to me that he lived almost more in our day than when he was actually upon the earth, because the Lord gave him to see so many of the things that would transpire in the latter days in the redemption of these valleys and the building of this house of the God of Jacob in the tops of the mountains and the gathering of Israel from all the nations of the earth.

You will recall that when the angel Moroni appeared to the Prophet Joseph Smith three times during the night and the next morning, and this was when he was only a young man of eighteen, Moroni quoted from the eleventh chapter of Isaiah and told the Prophet that these things were about to come to pass, and I quote from that chapter the following:

"And it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people . . .

"And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.

"The envy also of Ephraim shall depart, and the adversaries of Judah shall be cut off: Ephraim shall not envy Judah, and Judah shall not vex Ephraim." (Isa. 11:11-13.)

Now we have lived to see the first part of that prediction literally fulfilled. He has gathered Israel into these valleys of the mountains according to his promise He has set up an ensign unto the nations. It seems to me that no thoughtful, honest person could examine what the Lord has done in the establishment of this Church, His kingdom on the earth, and then give any mortal man or group of men the credit for what has been accomplished. It has been the God of heaven that has done this, according to the words of the prophets.

I would like to refer to the second part of this promise, "and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth." There is not space here to consider fully



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what the Lord is doing, according to His promise, in gathering the Jews back to the Holy Land. After two thousand years they now have a nation of their own and it is hoped that with the help of the Lord they can establish it in permanency and fulfil all the words of the prophets.

Then Isaiah says. "The envy also of Ephraim shall depart, and the adversaries of Judah shall be cut off: Ephraim shall not envy Judah, and Judah shall not vex Ephraim." We are from Ephraim. The Lord expects us, since we are the custodians of His Gospel as restored in these latter days, according to my understanding, to extend the hand of friendship to

Judah, because after all we are all descendants of the prophets Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and we come under the promises that through their descendants should all the nations on earth be blessed.

I do not know how the enmity and the envy between Ephraim and Judah can disappear except that we of the house of Ephraim, who have the custody of the Gospel, should lead out in trying to bring to this branch of the house of Israel the blessings of the restored Gospel.

In a revelation given to the Prophet Joseph Smith on November 3, 1831, the Lord said:

"Send forth the elders of my church unto the nations which are afar off; unto the islands of the sea; send forth unto foreign lands; call upon all nations, first upon the Gentiles, and then upon the Jews" (D & C 133:8.)

You know how literally the Church has fulfilled that command; the Gospel is going to nearly every nation under heaven, and now into the Far Eastern countries, to the Japanese and the Chinese and the Koreans and the Filipinos and so forth, and the Lord said that it should go first to the gentiles and then unto the Jews. That is the command which the Lord gave unto the elders of the Church in this day.

Then the Lord says:

"And they also of the tribe of Judah, after their pain shall be sanc-

tified in holiness before the Lord, to dwell in his presence day and night, forever and ever." (Ibid., 133:35.)

And it seems to me that the only way that the tribe of Judah can be sanctified to dwell in His presence forever and ever will be when we bring to them the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ as the Saviour promised them it would be brought in the latter days.

I quote again the words of the Lord to the Prophet Joseph in 1833:

"Therefore, renounce war and proclaim peace, and seek diligently to turn the hearts of the children to their fathers, and the hearts of the fathers to the children;

"And again, the hearts of the Jews unto the prophets, and the prophets unto the Jews; lest I come and smite the whole earth with a curse, and all flesh be consumed before me." (Ibid., 98:16-17.)

As I understand this command, we the prophets must turn our hearts unto the Jews, and then we may hope that they will turn their hearts unto us because of the message that we shall bring unto them through the restoration of the Gospel in this dispensation. The importance of this the Lord declared in these words: "... lest I come and smite the whole earth with a curse, and all flesh be consumed before me."

Principles for

By Elder Eldred G. Smith

★ We have heard considerable about having faith in the Gospel, living the teachings of the Gospel. In the School of the Elders in Kirtland, Ohio, the Prophet Joseph Smith stated that there are certain fundamental principles necessary for us to understand respecting Deity and our relation to Him. In order that we may exercise faith in Him for life and salvation, we must have correct ideas of His character, His perfection and attributes. The Prophet listed such attributes as knowledge, power, justice, judgment, mercy, and truth.

These attributes are necessary to enable any rational being to exercise faith in God, for without the idea of the existence of these attributes in the Deity, men could not exercise faith in Him for life and salvation. Without the knowledge of all things, God would not be able to save any part of His creatures; for it is by reason of the knowledge of all things from the be-

ginning to the end that enables Him to give that understanding to His creatures by which they are made partakers of eternal life.

If it were not for the idea existing in the minds of men that God has all knowledge, it would be impossible for them to exercise faith in Him.

WHOM WORSHIP YE?

Whom do you worship? Do you worship a Living God or an unknown God, as the Athenians did?

On Mars' hill, Paul said to the Athenians: "... Ye men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are too superstitious.

"For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Whom therefore ye ignorantly

Understanding Deity

worship, him declare I unto you.

"God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands;

"Neither is worshipped with men's



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hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things;

"And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation;

"That they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us:

"For in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, for we are also his offspring.

"Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by art, and man's device." (Acts 17:22-29.)

WE, HIS OFFSPRING

Paul tells us here that we are the offspring of God. Later in his epistle to the Hebrews he tells us, "Furthermore we have had fathers of our flesh which corrected us, and we gave them reverence: shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of Spirits, and live?" (Heb. 12:9.) So we are the spirit children of God.

In the Doctrine and Covenants, the Lord tells us:

"The Father has a body of flesh and bones as tangible as man's; the Son also." (D&C 130:22.)

John says, "God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and truth." (John 4:24.)

Man is also a spirit clothed with flesh and bones, so, too, is God. Again the Lord has said in modern revelation, "For man is spirit. The elements are eternal, and spirit and element, inseparably connected, receive a fulness of joy." (D&C 93:33.) Birth is the uniting of this spirit and elements of physical bodies. Death is the separation. The resurrection is the uniting of the spirit and the physical body, which the Lord says, "inseparably connected. receive a fulness of joy."

So Moses recorded in Genesis. "So

God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them." (Gen. 1:27.)

I ask — whom do you worship? Whom do I worship? I worship my God who is my Father in heaven, the Father of my spirit, a resurrected, glorified, perfected man, not resurrected from this earth, no, but from some previous earth in the long distant past.

How do I know He is a resurrected man? If he is not, I have no hope in the resurrection. Neither then is Christ resurrected, nor others. Then, too, are all the scriptures false which are replete with references to resurrected arable beings who have appeared to man?

For example, as recorded in Matthew: "And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose,

"And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many." (Matt. 27:52-53.)

As sure as Jesus Christ is resurrected, so may I have a hope in a resurrection. If men may be resurrected and God is not, then man will have accomplished what God has not and thus become greater than God. This we know is impossible. Hence what men may accomplish, God has accomplished ahead of him .

The Sixth Day Of Creation

By Elder Sterling W. Sill

★ One of the most inspiring messages in all sacred scripture is the story of the sixth day of creation when God made man in His own image. He also endowed him with a set of his own attributes. Then, as the very climax of creation, God gave man dominion over everything upon the earth, including himself. The dictionary says that "dominion" means control or the power to govern. The most important part of the dominion given to man was self-dominion. In all of creation, it was only to man that God said, "... thou mayest choose for thyself..." (Moses 3:17.)

On one occasion Joseph Smith was asked to explain the unusual harmony existing among his large group of church members, though they differed so greatly in background, nationality, and experience. The Prophet replied, "I teach the people correct principles and they govern themselves." (Cited by John Taylor, JD 10:57-58.)



Elder Sterling W. Sill

One of the most important parts of real religion is to qualify ourselves to govern our own lives effectively and righteously. Someone has said, "He that would move the world, must first move himself."

We talk a great deal about the fact that we have been given the priesthood. The priesthood is the authority to act in the name of the Lord. But by itself that is not enough. We must also develop the "ability" to act in the name of the Lord. The authority can never be of very great consequence without the ability. That is, how much benefit would be derived from having the authority to make converts without the ability to make converts.

CONTROL SELF

The most inspiring thing about the life of Jesus was not His ability to quiet the storm or control the tempest, but His absolute control of Himself. The Master did not need to make a single mistake in order to find out that it was wrong.

We have developed a fairly good control over some of our body members; for example, I have great authority over my finger. If I tell it to bend, it bends. If I tell it to unbend, it unbends. If I give my feet an order, they obey immediately, and we will have succeeded in our religious responsibility when we get that same kind of control over our thoughts, our emotions, our tongues, our industry, our faith, and our desire to serve God.

Some of us have mistrained our appetites to a point where we tend

to "think" with our stomachs; that is, our appetites frequently have more influence in directing our lives than our reason or even the commandments of God. This same misuse of our powers frequently gives our fears, our doubts, our prejudices, our hates, and our sex impulses the control of our lives. Before we can be successful in our God-given dominion, our emotions must be brought under the direction of the spirit.

GOVERN SELF FIRST

St. Augustine said, "Wouldst thou have thy flesh obey thy spirit? Then have thy spirit obey thy God. Thou must be governed, if thou wouldst govern." And only when we properly govern ourselves according to what is right, can we escape the destructive rule of our moods and appetites.

Sir Walter Raleigh said. "A man must first govern himself, ere he be fit to govern a family; and his family, ere he is fit to bear the government in the commonwealth."

Each of us has been given a magnificent instrument called a brain, which was intended to play a much more prominent part in our religious life than it sometimes does. The brain, not the feelings or the passions, was designated by God to be the presiding officer of the personality. And when

we honour the authority of the mind,
we become masters instead of slaves.

A. Bertha Kleinman has written the
following verse about self-mastery.

SELF-MASTERY

"What tho I conquer my enemies,
And lay up store and pelf,
I am a conqueror poor indeed,
Till I subdue myself.

"What tho I read and learn by heart
Whole books while I am young,
I am a linguist in disgrace,
Who cannot guard my tongue.

"What tho on campus I excel
A champ in meet and fight
If trained efficient still I can't
Control an appetite.

"What tho exemptions write my name
High on the honour roll
Electives, solids fail me if
I learn no self-control.

"And tho I graduate and soar
And life is good to me,
My heart shall write me failure till
I learn self-mastery."

NEW ARCHIVIST FOR NEWCASTLE

★ Keith and Valerie Bishop and their daughters have moved recently from Doncaster Ward to Newcastle Ward.

Keith has been appointed city archivist of Newcastle Upon Tyne, which speaks well of the tremendous strides this young man has made since dedicating himself to the Lord's work in his early youth.

He served as first counsellor in the Doncaster Ward bishopric.

Since their marriage in 1966, Keith has taken his diploma in archives at London University.

Valerie is a native of Sunderland and met Keith at Manchester University where they both graduated before serving on full time missions in France.

Experiences On Temple

By Elder Marion D. Hanks

★ May I tell you a story which bears repetition. It is the most significant single experience I have ever had, personally, about the importance of "one." It happened long enough ago that I think the individual involved would not be conscious of our noting him, though I see no harm if he is.

A man walked into the temple grounds in Salt Lake City, Utah, and into the office in the Bureau of Information one day long ago. He interrupted a conversation which was private and serious, and did it without apology. He was quite an elderly man; he was not what you would call an attractive human being. He was unkempt, unshaven; he reeked of alcohol and tobacco.

He walked over to the desk where I sat, pointed his hand in the direction of the temple, and said, "How do you get in there?" I assumed that he was a tourist, one of the infrequent but occasional few who do not understand the purpose and the reason of temple-going and who have become affronted because they are not taken into the

temple, and perhaps had come to complain.

I told him as best I could, or began to, the story of the temple, but had proceeded only a little distance when he interrupted. He waved me away and said, "Oh, you don't have to tell me all that, I know that. I am a Mormon."



Elder Marion D. Hanks

Square In Salt Lake City

"Well," I said, "if you are a member of the Church and you know all of this, what is it you want from me?" He said, " Frankly, nothing. There isn't anything you have to give me. I am here because my wife insisted on my coming in, but I have fulfilled my errand," and out he went.

MARRIED THREE TIMES

I tried to pick up the threads of the conversation and finish it, and later, as I sat thinking about him and his story, I looked out the window and saw him walking by the Joseph and Hyrum (Smith) monuments with a younger woman. I went out to talk with them. She identified herself as his wife. He had been married three times; each previous wife had died after bearing a large family.

There are two questions I asked him, which I think each person would do well to hear answered as he answered them. I asked, in effect, how he had come to his feeling of antagonism and indifference. He told me that at age nineteen he had been ejected from a chapel by a bishop's counselor who

had been summoned because of the boy's trouble-making in class. One thing that had been said, this man remembered for nearly sixty years. As he was thrown out, someone objected. The answer that came from the counselor who had the task in hand was, "Oh, let him go, he is just one kid!"

LOVE FOLLOWS REPROOF

He went, and he never came back, nor was there ever any visiting, never any outpouring or increase of the love that should follow reproof, according to the Lord. He moved to another area of the land, married, had a family; his wife passed away and he married again, his second wife died after bearing a family also. He had come to Salt Lake City at the insistence of his third wife, who, having been taught by the missionaries and converted to the principles of the Gospel, had brought him here hoping that somehow he might be touched—he, the member

This, also, I would like to report: I asked him how many living descendants he had. He counted them and ans-

wered, "Fifty-four." I asked him then, how many of them are members of the Church, and I expect you know the answer, though perhaps not his interesting expression. He said, "Huh, ain't any of them members of the Church. They're a pretty hard lot."

This last question: who was it the bishop's counselor propelled out the

door that morning? Just one boy? Just one? This one has in his own lifetime become, in effect, a multitude, and the current has but begun to run, and everyone of them denied, according to his own witness, the love of the Gospel and the brotherhood of the Saints, the warmth and strength and direction of the programmes of the Church.

**PRACTICAL
APPLICATION
OF
KNOWLEDGE**

"No amount of knowledge, of inspiration and testimony as to the divinity of the work of God will be of benefit to us unless we put that knowledge into actual practice in the daily walks of life. It is not the amount that any individual may know that will benefit him and his fellows; but it is the practical application of that knowledge."

—Heber J. Grant

Standard Of Competition High In British Athletic Association Finals

by Monitor C. Noyce
Managing Editor

★ A wonderful response in number of participants and spectators with a significant improvement in the degree of performance was noted at the British Athletic Association finals held at Manchester the weekend of August 15th — 17th.

Chairman of the BAA, Pres. Dennis Livesey of the Leeds Stake, commented on the improved skills. "The standard was really high. We especially noted this in the high jump event where the winner jumped 5ft. 11in."

Glasgow won over Bristol, 2 to 1 to win the Mark E. Petersen cup in the 11-a-side football match, main event of the BAA finals.

Beginning on Friday evening with table tennis (junior) the meeting continued with the senior table tennis Saturday morning at the Owens Park Residence where many of the participants were accommodated for the two nights. Fallowfield Stadium Saturday was the scene for the track and field events. The 5-a-side football, netball, basketball, and volleyball competition were all held at the Manchester Stake Centre.

Saturday evening beginning at 6.30 pm the swimming finals were held at Wythenshawe baths. Concluding Saturday's full schedule was the social event of the three-day meet, the dance in the stake centre.



Nick Jones, SWB, Weston-Super-Mare Branch, winner of over 18 long jump with a jump of 18 ft. 5 in.

CLIMAX CAME SUNDAY

Climax to the spiritualized recreation programme of the Church in Great Britain came Sunday morning when, in the words of Sister Weightman, "the loveliest spiritual meeting I've ever attended was held." Various youths were called from the congregation to bear their testimony. "Each had something to give. It was really very touching, there was such a beautiful spirit present. This will be something these young people will remember and cherish throughout their lives," she said.

Mrs. Weightman and her daughter, Christine, were in charge of compiling the records.

Pres. Livesey is ably assisted in the direction of the BAA by Pres. John H. Weightman of the Manchester Stake Presidency and Pres. Derek Cuthbert, first counselor in the Central British Mission Presidency. The trio are ardent sportsman who go all out to make the occasion a wonderful experience for the youth.

MANY AIDED OFFICIALS

Aiding them were many in the field as referees, judges, etc. including Michael Mills, table tennis and junior 5-a-side football; Bert Whalley, table tennis (junior); Peter Kingsley, foot-

ball; Heather Coombes, girls netball and basketball; Jeff Robinson, junior volleyball; Clive Jones, basketball, plus a number of aides from the Stakes and Missions.

The MIA prepared and served food for the hungry competitors and the many spectators.

Competitors this year were teamed up in "groups" as London Stake and British Mission making one group; Southwest and the British South Missions another; Manchester Stake and the North British Mission; Leicester Stake and the Central British Mission; Leeds and Sunderland Stakes and the Northeast area of the North British Mission; and the Glasgow Stake and the Scottish Mission another.

TRACK-FIELD RESULTS

Results of the track and field events and the swimming competition follows:

Southwest British and British Missions — 20 first place winners; 19 seconds and six third place winners.

Glasgow Stake and Scottish Mission — 14 first place winners; eight second places and nine third places.

London Stake and British Mission — 13 firsts; four seconds and seven thirds.



Chris Ellison, Sheffield Branch, Leeds Stake, senior long jump winner.

Manchester Stake and North British Mission — nine firsts; nine seconds and eight thirds.

Leicester Stake and the Central British Mission — nine firsts; six seconds and seven thirds.

Leeds and Sunderland Stakes and northeast area of the North British Mission — six firsts; nine seconds and 15 thirds.

Certificates and trophies were awarded winners. Names of the winners and second and third place follows:

TRACK:

12-14 boys' 100 yards — N. Alexander of Glasgow Stake and Scottish Mission group; Kevin Knowles, Southwest and British South Missions; P. Gore, Leeds and Sunderland Stakes and Northeast area of North British Mission.

12-14 Girls' 100 yards — F. Ringer, London Stake, British Mission; H. Blackburn, SWB and British South; S. Collinson, Leeds, Sunderland Stakes and Northeast British.

15-17 Boys' 220 yards — N. Stephens, SWB and British South; T. Foley, Manchester, N. British; D. Walker, Leeds, Sunderland Stakes and Northeast M.

15-17 Girls' 220 yards — M. Easton, Glasgow Stake, Scottish M; J. Cornell,

SWB and British South; D. Simms, Leicester Stake, Central British M.

Open age, men, one mile—W. Adair, Glasgow Stake, Scottish M; D. Smallman, Manchester and North British M; J. Snell, London Stake, British M.

Open age, ladies, 4 x 110 yards relay — Manchester South Ward; Aldershot Branch, British S. Mission; Paisley Ward, Glasgow Stake.

12-14 boys' 220 yards — N. Alexander, Glasgow Stake, Scottish M; K. Knowles, SWB and British S; T. Doughty, Manchester Stake, British N.

Over 18 men 220 yards — D. McGibbon, Glasgow Stake, Scottish M; N. Jones, SWB and British S; Roger Carter, Manchester Stake, North British Mission.

Over 18 ladies, 220 yards—M. Tynon, SWB, and British S; M. Patterson, Glasgow Stake and Scottish M; E. Skrimshaw, Leeds and Sunderland Stakes and Northeast British M.

15-17 boys' 100 yards — N. Stephens, SWB and British S; D. Roberts, Manchester Stake and N. British; D. Walker, Leeds, Sunderland and Northeast British Mission.

Open age, men, 4 x 110 yards relay — Hyde Park Ward, London Stake; Plymouth Branch, SWB; Manchester Ward, Manchester Stake.

Under 18 boys' 440 yards — B. Gove, SWB and British South M; A. Osborne, Manchester Stake, N. British; A. Irvin, Glasgow Stake and Scottish M.

Over 18 ladies' 100 yards — M. Patterson, Glasgow Stake and Scottish M; L. Cornell, SWB and British S; H. Gore, Leeds, Sunderland and Northeast British Mission.

Over 18 men, 100 yards — D. McGibbon, Glasgow Stake, Scottish M; N. Jones, SWB and British S; Ellison, Leeds, Sunderland and Northeast M.

Over 18 ladies' 440 yards — M. Tym-an, SWB and British S; E. Skrimshaw, Leeds, Sunderland and Northeast M.

Over 18 men, 440 yards — D. Flinn, Glasgow Stake, Scottish M; M. Hall, Leeds, Sunderland and Northeast M; K. Lowe, Leicester Stake and Central British Mission.

Open age, 3 miles cross-country — W. Shaw, Glasgow Stake and Scottish M; D. Smallman, Manchester Stake, N. British M; L. Griffin, London Stake and British Mission.

FIELD EVENTS:

Long jump, boys 18 and over — N.

Jones, SWB and British South; C. Hall, Leeds, Sunderland Stakes and North-east Mission.

Long jump, boys 15-17—N. Stephens, SWB and British South; T. Featherstone, Manchester Stake and N. British Mission.

Long jump, boys 12-14—N. Alexander, Glasgow Stake and Scottish M; K. Bothamley, Leeds, Sunderland Stakes and Northeast M; J. Wolfe, London Stake, British M.

High jump, girls 18 and over — J. Bech, SWB and British S; McCalom, Leicester Stake and CBM; B. Gatt, London and British M.

High jump, girls, 15-17 — M. Easton, Glasgow Stake and Scottish M; A. Bamford, Manchester Stake and N. British M; A. Longstaff, Leeds, Sunderland Stakes and Northeast M.

High jump, girls 12-14 — F. Ringer, London Stake, British M; S. Cornell, SWB and British S; P. Cobb, Manchester Stake and N. British M.

Discus, boys 15-17 — J. Bray, Leicester Stake and CBM; T. Green, London Stake and British M; W. Thirston, SWB and British S.



Geof Harding, Bristol Branch, SWB, high jump winner, jumping 5 ft. 11 in.



Nigel Stevens, Swindon Branch, 100 vds, 15—17 age group.

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L. O. Skeen, London Stake, winner, shot put, over 18.

Discus, boys 12-14 — B. Warden, SWB and British S; D. Hezaltine, Leicester Stake and CBM; J. Bushnell, London Stake and British M.

Discus, boys 18 and over—O. Skeen, London Stake and British M; R. Wright, Glasgow Stake and Scottish M; L. Fox, SWB and British S.

Shot, boys under 18 — A. Osbourne, Manchester Stake and N. British M; J. Bray, Leicester Stake and CBM; W. Thirston, SWB and British S.

Shot, boys 18 and over — O. Skeen, London Stake and British M; S. Fox, SWB and British S; D. Downie, Glasgow Stake and Scottish M.

Long jump, girls 18 and over — P. Davies, London Stake and British M; L. Cornell, SWB and British S; Stronach, Glasgow Stake and Scottish M.

Long jump, girls 15-17 — M. Easton, Glasgow Stake and Scottish M; S. Robinson, Manchester Stake and N. British M; D. Noble, Leeds, Sunderland Stakes and Northeast M.

High jump, boys 18 and over — J. Harding, SWB and British South; C. Ellison, Leeds and Sunderland Stakes

and Northeast M; D. Cook, London Stake and British M.

High jump, boys 15-17 — M. Williamson, Leicester Stake and CBM; R. Duckworth, SWB and British S; R. Stronach, Glasgow Stake and Scottish Mission.

Discus, girls 12-14 — F. Ringer, London Stake and British M; J. Hand, SWB and British S; L. Cottrell, Leicester Stake and CBM.

Discus, girls 18 and over — B. Andrews, Manchester Stake and N. British; J. Thistleton, Leeds, Sunderland Stake and Northeast M; R. Stronach, Glasgow Stake and Scottish M.

Long jump, girls 12-14 — F. Ringer, London Stake and British M; M. Lewis, Leeds, Sunderland Stakes and Northeast M; A. Grindley, Manchester Stake and N. British M.

High jump, boys 12-14 — D. Cuthbert, Leicester Stake and CBM; B. Warden, SWB and British S; N. Alexander, Glasgow Stake and Scottish M.

Discus, girls 15-17 — C. Smith, Leicester Stake and CBM; P. Trew, London Stake and British M; Y. Negent, Manchester Stake and N. British M.

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Audrey Grindley, Manchester South Ward, favoured to win but took third place in long jump.



Francis Ringer, British Mission, Chelmsford Branch, high jump winner.

SWIMMING:

12-14 boys, 28 yards free sty — T. P. Kirk, Leeds, Sunderland Stakes and Northeast M; Ian Marsh, SWB and British South.

12-14 girls, 28 yards back stroke — E. Thurston, SWB and British South; L. Quesne, Leicester Stake and CBM; L. Pooley, Leeds, Sunderland Stakes and Northeast M.

15-17 boys, 50 yards breast stroke — I. Jackson, Leeds, Sunderland Stakes and Northeast M; D. Richardson, Glasgow Stake and Scottish M; P. Woodhead, SWB and British S.

18 and over girls, 50 yards back stroke — S. Wilkins, London Stake and British M; C. Johnson, SWB and British S; S. Chapman, Leeds, Sunderland Stakes and Northeast M.

15-17 boys, 3 x 25 yards relay — Springboig Ward, Glasgow Stake, Scottish Mission.

15-17 girls, 50 yards free style — Janet Tottel, SWB and British S; A. McGinn, Glasgow Stake and Scottish M; S. Chapman, Leeds, Sunderland Stakes and Northeast M.

18 and over, men, 50 yards free style — M. Coombes, Leicester Stake and CBM; Ray Foff, SWB and British South; Skeen, London Stake and British M.

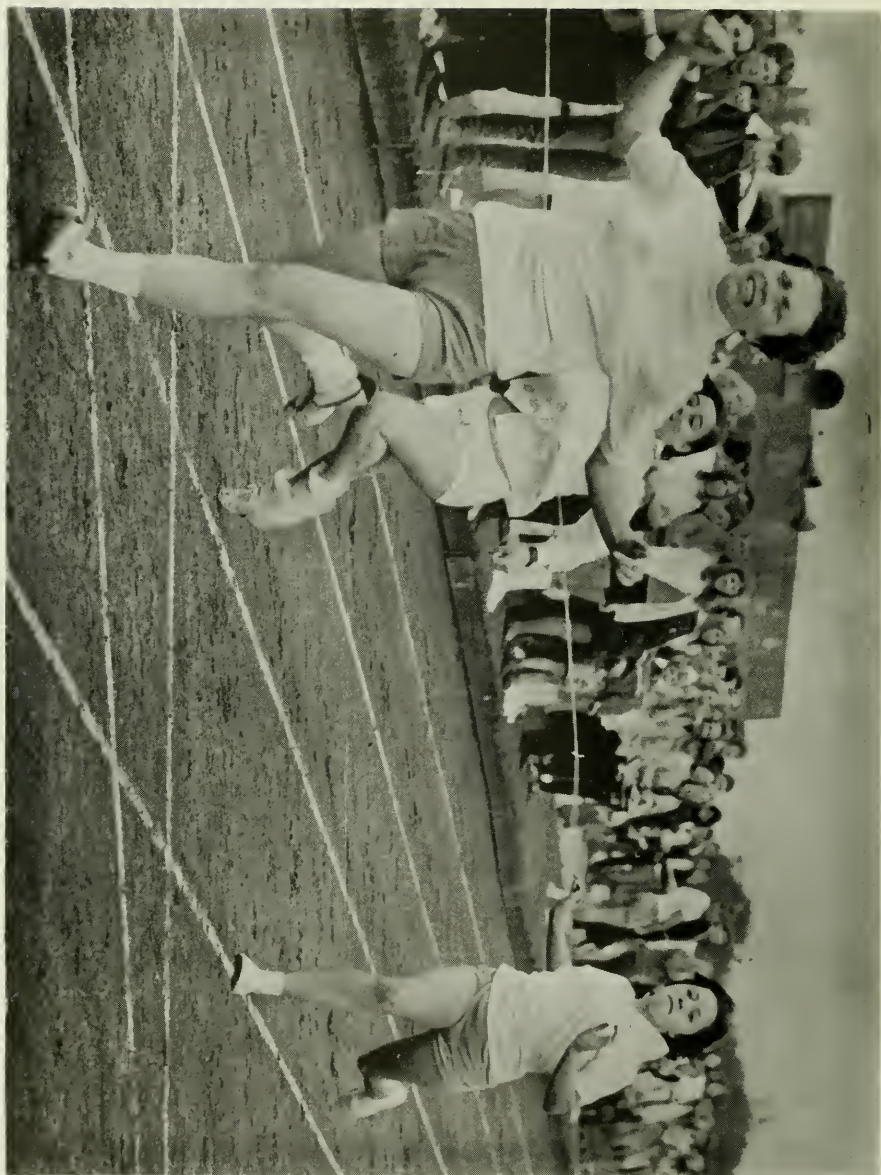
18 and over , ladies, 50 yards breast stroke — G. Chitty, SWB and British South; P. Doggett, London Stake and British M; Leslie Shepherd, Manchester Stake and N. British M.

12-14 girls, 25 yards free style — E. Thurston, SWB and British S; L. Quesne, Leicester Stake and CBM; G. Bentley, Manchester Stake and N. British Mission.

18 and over, men 50 yards breast stroke — R. Kingsley,, London Stake and British M; B. Whalley, Manchester Stake and N. British M; M. Coombes, Leicester Stake and CBM.

15-17 girls, 3 x 25 yards relay — Bradford Ward, Airdrie Branch, Glasgow Stake, Scottish M; Plymouth Branch, SWB and British S.

12-14 boys, 25 yards breast stroke — S. Leonard, Leeds, Sunderland Stakes and Northeast M; D. Moore, Leicester Stake and CBM.



M. Patterson, Glasgow Stake, womens 110-dash.

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Susan Robinson, Manchester South Ward, last stringer in four by 110 open age relay.

15-17 boys, 50 yards free style —
I. Jackson, Leeds, Sunderland Stakes
and Northeast M; W. Thirston, SWB and
British S; R. Stronach, Glasgow Stake
and Scottish M.

15-17 girls, 50 yards breast stroke —
J. Tottel, SWB and British S; P. Mann,
Leeds, Sunderland Stakes and North-
east M; S. Eccleston, Leicester Stake
and CBM.

18 and over, men, 50 yards back
stroke — M. Coombs, Leicester Stake
and CBM; M. Higgs, Glasgow Stake
and Scottish M; R. Foff, SWB and
British S.

12-14 boys, 25 yards back stroke —
P. Kirk, Leeds, Sunderland Stakes and
Northeast M; L. Griffin, London Stake
and British M; A. Fitzpatrick, Leicester
Stake and CBM.

12-14 girls, 25 yards breast stroke —
Y. Giles, SWB and British S; M. Elsbury,
Leeds, Sunderland Stakes and North-
east M; L. Queens, Leicester Stake
and CBM.

18 and over, ladies, 50 yards free
style — G. Chitty, SWB and British
S; B. Pullen, Glasgow Stake and Scot-
tish M; S. Chapman, Leeds, Sunderland
Stakes and Northeast M.

15-17 boys, 50 yards back stroke —
I. Jackson, Leeds, Sunderland Stakes
and Northeast M; M. Williamson, Leic-
ester Stake and CBM; D. Speirs,
Glasgow Stake and Scottish M.

15-17 girls, 50 yards back stroke —
J. Tottel, SWB and British S; A. McGinn,
Glasgow Stake and Scottish M; L. Jack-
man, Leeds, Sunderland Stakes and
Northeast M.

12-14 boys, 3 x 25 yards relay —
Bradford Ward; Weston-Super-Mare
Branch, SWB and British S. Derby Ward
Leicester Stake and CBM..

12-14 girls, 3 x 25 yards relay —
Ashton, Manchester Stake and N.
British M; Dewsbury Ward, Leeds,
Sunderland Stakes and Northeast M.

Open age, men, 4 x 25 yards relay
— Manchester Ward, Manchester Stake
and N. British M; Bradford Ward; West-
on-Super-Mare Branch, SWB and British
South.

Open age, ladies, 4 x 25 yards relay
— Hull Branch, Manchester Stake and
North British M.

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Maralyn Eston, Scottish Mission, girls 220 winner.



Manchester South Ward girls, winners of net ball, from left, back Edith and Susan Robinson, Beverley Caddick, Barbara Robinson, Audry Grinley; front, Lesley Hargreaves, Yvonne Robinson and Pat Corbishley.

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Leicester Ward, second place in girls net ball. From left, Carol Sullivan, Ruth Palmer, Angela Kight, Marilyn Green, captain; Laraine Taverner, Carolyn Jayes, Margaret Brewin.



Liverpool mens basketball winners, front, Bill Gibson and Arthur Ireland; back, Frank Hitchmough, Alan Brown and David Morris, captain.

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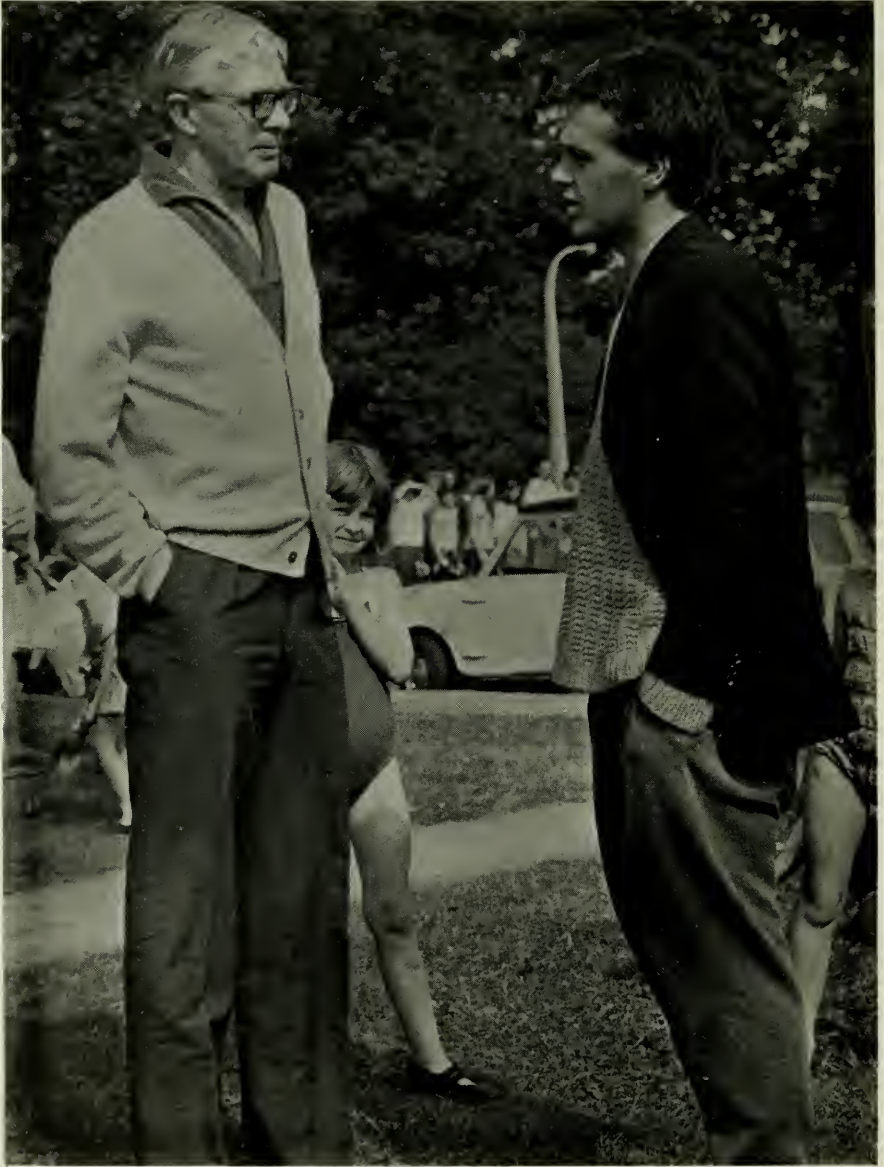
Manchester South Ward 5-a-side football team winners, from left, Ian Burgess, Peter Ropber, Nicky Moores, Roy Scott (reserve), George Robinson Jr., Dave Shuttleworth.



Leicester Stake cheering section added spice to the competition and fun.



Part of the Crowd on the sidelines.



Pres. Dennis Livesey, chairman of the BAA, talking with spectator.



Action during goal netball game.

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A Look At the Church Building Programme In Great Britain

(The Millennial Star herewith acquaints its readers with the building programme of the Church in Great Britain.)

It would appear that the construction of the beautiful London Temple at Newchapel, near East Grinstead, spearheaded the Church building programme in Great Britain. The London Temple was constructed during 1955-58

The huge chapel construction programme began in 1961 and since then nearly 90 buildings have been built and dedicated. At present several are nearing completion stage and a number are on the drawing boards for early construction. One of the most recent

dedications was that of the beautiful new Visitors' Centre adjacent to the London Temple with the service held on June 14.

The building programme in Great Britain is ably supervised by Rudger J. Dent, formerly bishop of the Ogden 21st Ward, Lorin Farr Stake, in Utah. The Dents have been in England nearly a year. Bro. Dent was a successful building contractor in Utah. The Dents have three sons and five grandchildren.

Bro. Dent succeeded Ronald T. Davis as British area supervisor, in May. Bro. Davis and his family have returned to Canada. He came to England in 1962 as a missionary, called from Calgary, Alberta, Canada. He

Rudger Dent, left, area supervisor, meeting with Heather Green, his secretary and Frederick J. Curtis area construction inspector.



served first as president of the Dundee East Branch in Scotland. In March of 1965 he was appointed district supervisor over half of England, in 1966 named assistant and field supervisor, and assumed overall supervision in 1967 when Orvil Lloyd returned to the States. Bro. Davis was a member of the London Stake High Council while he resided in Epsom Ward.

In an interview with Bro. Davis just prior to his departure for Canada, he reflected upon his experiences. He recalled the winter of 1962 was a "real bad one. Much of the construction that winter had to be closed down because

of the weather conditions, but not so for the Church building programme. All our projects stayed open, although at times they moved very slowly. It was remarkable that our footings were never affected by the frost and cold of that winter. The Lord really blessed us as we worked on the 50 buildings that were under way."

That was at the height of the era when labour building missionaries were assigned to the various projects. A number of these young men learned trades which they have since found useful.

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Chapels are now constructed under a contract basis with the branch or ward asked to contribute labour according to the strength of the ward or branch and for which the ward or branch receives credit on a piece-work basis. The local ward or branch is expected to make a cash contribution, an amount determined by the strength of its membership.

Priorities in construction are determined by the Church Building Committee after Stakes and Missions submit annually their requests through their respective Regional Representative. In Great Britain Elder Spencer W. Kimball of the Council of the Twelve, is the Regional Representative, assisted

by Elder John Longden, Assistant to the Twelve.

Wards or branches may be recommended for a project after a suitable site has been located, approved and purchased; a high priority has been assigned by the stake or mission president and by the Regional Representative; and the ward or branch is engaged in a positive and aggressive fund raising programme enabling it to be fully prepared to support the building project.

The recommendation is returned to the ward or branch for local approval or disapproval. If accepted, the plan is put into the planning stage and an

Bishop Peter D. Manners, new area financial representative, centre, with his predecessor William L. Van Wagonner and Florence Smith secretary.



Discussing a chapel plan are, from left, William K. Sheppard, estimator; Donald O. Hendon, architect and Paul R. Jacobsen, area architectural planning administrator.



architect begins drawing up the plans and preparing cost estimates.

Meanwhile the ward leadership prepares estimates of cash and labour available from local membership. When this is completed the Church Building Committee is again consulted and agreement reached as to what the piece-work labour figure will be and how much the branch or ward must raise in cash. (This cash ratio is flexible in Great Britain but should be approximately 20 per cent with a "realistic effort and sacrifice" upon the part of the local membership.)

The next step is a review of the prospective project by the Regional Representative who in turn passes the

information along to the Building Committee. If this committee feels the ward or branch is making a realistic effort and sacrifice then the appropriation is usually appropriated. The Committee on Expenditure informs the Regional Representative and if he is satisfied it is within the amount the local organisation can raise then an application is made for a construction supervisor (a paid employee of the Church) and the go-a-head is given.

Chapels are finished when the ward has paid all of its cash assessment and completed its labour commitments, then application for dedication is made.

The Church employs supervisors of construction who have been successful

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building contractors, and men who like to see fine, beautiful, functional chapels erected to our Heavenly Father. These men take pride in seeing the realisation of such projects and often put in 60 to 80 hours per week.

It is suggested that wards and branches contemplating a building project plan at least two years in advance and have a "nice kitty of cash." When a branch has 50 people attending regularly then it is time enough to start searching for a building site.

Principally three types of chapels are being erected in Great Britain. The Blaine type, costing approximately £28,000 and requiring about seven months to build; the Blaine M-1 which costs approximately £30,000 and requires 10-12 months for construction and the Fenton at near £40,000.

Bro. Dent says that the Church plans soon to have its own building operations and maintenance department in Great Britain.

As Bro. Davis put it, the Building Department is "missionary minded." The whole thing we try to remember is that while we are building a building we are also building people, promulgating the Gospel."

Both he and Bro. Dent were quick to note that in spite of the most adverse weather conditions there is a high degree of safety achieved on the

building projects in Great Britain. "All our workers are cognizant of making 'safety first' a golden rule. There have been some accidents, but not one man has lost his life on a Church project."

Bro. Davis recalled one man, Cliff Johnson, fell and broke his back on a project at Southport. But, within six months he returned to help finish the building. "We all admired him."

Bro. Dent noted the need for good knowledgeable mechanics to help in this great building programme.

The Church Building Department is located at North Cheam, Surrey at Haredon House. The staff includes Bro. Frederick J. Curtis, area construction inspector and Bro. Cyril D. Clarke, Epsom, heating, electrical and sound systems specialty supervisor.

Area purchasing agent and furnishings representative is Ben G. Bartholomew, of Epsom, formerly of Salt Lake City; architectural planning administrator, Donald O. Hendon of Cheam; area architectural planning administrator, Paul R. Jacobsen with William K. Sheppard, estimator; Bishop Peter D. Manners, Epsom Ward, as area financial department (recently succeeded Willard L. Van Wagoner, who has now returned to Riverton, Utah, with his family).

Mr. Mark R. Sharman of Devonshire & Company, London, is Church legal council and Bro. Ronald E. Green, Tadworth, Surrey, in charge of the Church Real Estate Department.

Project Supervisors include Bro. Desmond C. Gorman, Newport on the Isle of Wight; Bro Robert E. Isherwood, Burnley, Lancashire; Bro. Warren A. Barber, Belfast, Ireland; Bro. Frank J. Lemperle, Hucclecote, Gloucester; Bro. David Lambert, Newport (Mon); Bro. Keith C. Hargreaves, Nelson, Lancashire; Bro. Marvin Ferrin, North Shields; Bro. Rex Bollschweiler, St. Leonards-on-Sea, Sussex; Bro. Horace Foote, Springboig Ward, Easterhouse, Glasgow; Bro. James Haisell, Catford Branch, London Stake.

Bro. Norman Newill, Leeds, Yorks, maintenance.

Brief biographies of several of the staff follow:

A successful building contractor was nearing the finish of his new home in Southport, Austrlaia, 11 years ago, when two missionaries called at the door. Since that time Bro. Frederick J. Curtis has been deeply involved in the Church.

Shortly after the family immigrated to Canada he was called to work in the Church Building programme and assigned to Great Britain, having been here now seven years. The family lives in Leeds where he is close to several chapels under construction, and he is High Priest group leader.

Sis. Curtis is Primary In-Service leader. The Curtis' have four children the oldest son is serving a mission in Ireland.

Ronald E. Green, in charge of the British Church Real Estate Department, dictates legal data to Gwen Huggins, secretary.



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Bro. Curtis likes the building programme of the Church and has had numerous experiences, many of them faith promoting. One example is that of a building missionary who fell from a scaffold and had his arm in a sling for some time. One night after a Sacrament Meeting this young man asked Bro. Curtis if there wasn't something he could do for the arm, "since you hold the priesthood." Bro. Curtis says, "We administered to the boy. He came to work the next morning without the sling and he has never had further trouble with the arm. This proved to me that the Lord does answer prayer."

Bro. Clarke has been with the Church Building programme about 15 years, the major portion of that time in New Zealand. He recently served as a counselor in the bishopric of the Epsom Ward. Sis. Clarke was born in New Zealand, a convert and talented woman. They are stalwarts of the Church.

Paul R. Jacobsen, Area Architectural Planning Administrator, a member of the Church Building Department three years, formerly worked 10 years with a large architectural firm in Salt Lake City. He graduated from the University of Utah with degrees in bachelor of fine arts and of architecture.

Bro. Jacobsen served a mission to the Netherlands. He married Dolores Phillipps in Salt Lake Temple and they have three children, Lynda Kay, Lisa Ann, Mark Kevin.

Presently he is serving on the London Stake High School and Sister Jacobsen is a Primary teacher and secretary to the Epsom Ward Relief Society.

Nine years as a child in India, two years with the RAF, ten full active years in the Church and five of these ten years with the Church Finance Department, that adds up to a lot of travel and experience for Bishop Peter D. Manners, assistant representative of the Finance Department.

He was formerly first counselor in the Epsom Ward bishopric, previously serving as Elders Quorum president, Ward Clerk in South London, and member of the high council.

Sis. Manners is first counselor in the Primary. The Manners have four children. Bros. Manners claims gardening as his hobby.

Recently returning to Utah **after** 2½ years in the Church Finance Department at Epsom was Willard L. Van Wagoner. He came to England after five years with the Church Finance Department in Salt Lake City. A graduate of the BYU, Bro. Van Wagon-



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Diane LeRoux, left invoice clerk, and Valerie Osborn, secretary, at map of British Isles with Ben G. Bartholomew, area purchasing agent and furnishing representative.



er served two stake missions, as a high councilman, counselor in two bishoprics, and was London Stake Music Chairman.

While in Epsom Ward Sis. Van Wagoner was Primary president and in the Relief Society presidency.

The Van Wagoners returned to their home in the Riverton Fourth Ward, Riverton Stake, southwest of Salt Lake City, along with their six children.

Ben G. Bartholomew, Area Purchasing Agent and Furnishings Representative, soon begins his third year in England. He spent two years in Europe during World War II. A home teacher

and advisor to the Aaronic Priesthood Adult group, he formerly was Epsom Ward Clerk.

Sis. Bartholomew is a counselor in the London Stake YWMIA presidency and also a Relief Society teacher.

The Bartholomews have four children, one son is on a mission, one son recently enrolled at the BYU, their daughter Susan also works at the Church offices at North Cheam and they have one other daughter with them.

Ronald E. Green, supervisor of the Real Estate Department, was on a holiday in Salt Lake City, and while

Susan Bartholomew, left and Francis Craven talking over printing matters with Kenneth F. Bennett, printer-custodian.



visiting the Church Building Department was asked if he would accept this responsible position.. He has been acting for and in behalf of the Church in purchasing property for the past several years.

When he accepted the position, Bro. Green says, he didn't anticipate that he would be so fully occupied in it, not realizing the full scope of the Church building programme. He has observed in his travels throughout the British Isles that many people are anxious to do business with the Church as they have been impressed by the fine array of Church chapels. It appears the standards of the Church are being observed through the buildings which act as sentinals.

becoming more difficult and expensive to acquire land as time goes on. It is easier to acquire land in the north compared to the Home Counties. He said the Church has had "good luck" in Scotland and is negotiating for a piece in Dublin where the Church proselyting programme "has done very well."

Presently the Epsom Ward Sunday School superintendent, he joined the Church 21 years ago shortly after proposing to his sweetheart. She answered him with the "golden" questions in response to his proposal.

The Greens have four children and all hail from Cheltenham, Gloucester where they have filled many positions.

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William T. Todd,
draughtsman, at
desk of Joy Dunn,
receptionist.

Bro. Green was a counselor to three mission presidents. Sister Green is activity counselor in the London Stake YWMIA.

Bro. Green operated his own estate office for many years.

Secretary to Bro. Green in the Real Estate Department is Gwen Huggins speech director in the Epsom Ward. Previously she was a member of the Brighton Branch BSM and served a mission under former Mission President Marion D. Hanks of the British Mission. She too has held many Church positions.

"I thoroughly enjoyed Real Estate work, especially as it is for the Church,

as you can see the wheels turning and the Church growing."

Valerie Osborn enjoys her work in the Building Department and is finding it "very interesting to see how this part of the Church organisation works."

A Sunday School teacher in the Epsom Ward, and London Stake Primary secretary, Valerie lived on the Isle of Wight for three years and previously came from St. Albans.

Bro. Kenneth F. Bennett and his daughter, Diane LeRoux, of the Crawley Branch, came to work at the Building Department this summer. He is a

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Excerpts From Early Stars

★ Scanning through former issues of the Millennial Star through the years, we find some of the following of interest:

At the Bristol Conference, held at Foresters' Hall, Sherborn Street, Gloucester, Sunday, June 20, 1875, under the direction of European Mission Pres. Joseph F. Smith, the Bristol Conference had at that time 13 branches. The Conference included 47 Elders, 15 priests, six teachers, four deacons and 185 members present for a total of 257.

Pres. Smith said in the evening meeting:

"I am not happy in my mind unless I feel that I am in the line of my duty. I have no pleasure in anything that is not comprised in the kingdom of God — the Church of Jesus Christ, and those ordinances that have been revealed for the salvation of mankind, which demand the attention of man and require not only his faith but his work.

"If the religion of Jesus Christ is what it professes to be, and we know it is, there is nothing beyond its power, there is no labour or exertion of ours that is too much, for in return we receive from the hands of God the blessings of eternal life.

"If I gain the celestial kingdom I must have my family with me, inasmuch as they are worthy, for unless I could have them with me, they and I would be miserable. If those that I love are separated from me, my happiness is destroyed. There would be nothing to live for, nothing to labour for."

"If there are no drops of rain there will be no pools of water."

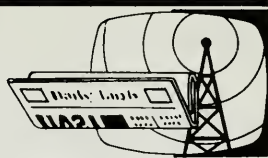
"It is something to 'know thyself'. He who best knows himself is the most unconscious of self. . . . Who cares for the greatness that is not inclusive of goodness"...

"The heart's progress should keep pace with that of the mind, and if a difference there must be, let the former go a little ahead.

"A strong, sharp, steely intellect unwarmed by a humble confessing heart is as cold and unlovable as the Arctic regions."

"We were born pure, but the world's education has perverted the simple intentions of nature, and selfishness and artifice is the result. Does necessity bind us to remain so. I think not; we can train our dispositions and be what we like.

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NORTH BRITISH MISSION

TWO NEW CHAPELS OPENED IN THE PRESTON DISTRICT

★ During the past 14 months about 30 members from COLNE and NELSON have worked hard to transform a group of shops into a chapel.

First the debris had to be cleared from the former Co-operative store, which had been empty for over a year. Marble counters were removed and interior walls knocked down. The old steam heating system was taken out and modern gas central heating installed. Before the electrical fittings were completed, the members worked by the light of Tilley lamps, often late into the night, ripping out old fittings and replacing them with new ones.

Now the new interior contains a splendid chapel, a cultural hall, 7 classrooms, an office for the Branch President, a kitchen, toilets and a foyer. Keith Hargreaves the Building Supervisor said that it has been a big job and the members had tackled it extremely well.

The Mayor of Colne, Mr. John Isherwood, in declaring the Church open, said that it was pleasing to see a new church opening when so many nowadays were closing. Other speakers

during the meeting included District Pres. Herbert Shorrock, Branch Pres. John Green and Supervisor Keith Hargreaves.

The chapel is situated halfway between Nelson and Colne on the main A56, and will serve the members from both towns.

★ August 2nd was the date for the long awaited opening of the new BURNLEY chapel in Belvedere Road. The service was attended by the Mayors and Mayoresses of Burnley, Colne and Nelson, and over 100 members of the Church.

Burnley Mayor, Counsellor Arthur Proctor made history when he became the town's first civic leader to open a church. The service was conducted by Branch Pres. Albert Pickup, who also serves on the local council, and who has recently been appointed a magistrate. In his remarks he told of the 5,000 hours work contributed by the members as well as their gallant efforts to raise money.

The building was originally scheduled for January 1969, but there have been many delays, disappointments and changes of plans. When handing over the new chapel, Elder Rudger J. Dent,

contract supervisor for the U.K. stated that this was the 86th Church built in the British Isles.

Besides the local dignitaries, Mission President Leonard D. Robinson, District Pres. Herbert Shorrock and his wife, and Elder Dent and Elder Curtis from the Building Committee were also present.

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Elder Curtis, Elder Dent, Pres. Pickup and Pres. Robinson at the opening of the Burnley Chapel.

★ The HULL District M.I.A. held a Barn Dance at Manor Farm, Nr. Beverly on July 25th, with dancing to "The Hull Folk Group". Refreshments made by the Beverley Branch included hot dogs, pop and cakes etc.

★ Sixty Quakers visited the BEVERLEY Chapel on July 30th, to view displays by the District Auxiliaries and see the films "Highlights in Church History" and "Man's Search for Happiness". They were greatly impressed by all that they saw.



At opening of Burnley Chapel, from left, Frederick J. Curtis, Rudger Dent, Pres. Pickup and Pres. Robison. (Photo, Burnley Express).

★ We offer our congratulations to Kathleen Sharples, of the Nelson Branch, who recently qualified as a State Registered Nurse.

★ Scarlet devils, radiantly white angels, gay gipsies, two singing guitar players, a most splendid Chitty chitty bang bang car, a captive balloon and a raft washed away to sea with a singing captain and crew, plus an excellent parrot for effect. What more could anyone ask for an evening spent in TRAVEL! This was the theme of the LIVERPOOL District Road Show for this year, and what a task for the judges to decide on the winners. Just by a shade the decision went to LIVERPOOL for their very good and original score. They showed St. Peter and his assistants on one side, and Satan in his horrific garb on the other, both sending their messengers all over Merseyside for recruits, certainly a new approach to the Travel Business! The raft sailing away with the castaways was also very effective, and so were the colourful gipsies in the next show, their baritone and soprano singing were excellent. The Chitty Chitty Bang Bang must have taken a great deal of time and trouble to produce and show and their performers are to be congratulated indeed. The final results are as follows: Liverpool won the cup, Warrington and St. Helens tied for second place and Southport came a close third.

LONDON STAKE

★ The theme "Escapade" was well carried through in the 8 Roadshows presented to the Stake on July 19th. South London Ward followed the theme of the "Sorcerer's Apprentice" in their "Automatic Escapade", with robots getting out of hand. Hyde Park Ward presented "An Escapade of the Absurd in the Land of Dreams", notable for a character study of Dino, the Italian Cafe-owner, by John Snell, and also for a mimed duel scene, both of which won "Oscars". The make-up of the "tramp" also won an "Oscar".

Catford Branch used a topical theme with the launching of the U.K.4. Moon rocket. North London Ward's very original show was entitled "The Brick Ladder" and the scene was set inside a toy box where the rebellious toys planned an unsuccessful escape from their imprisonment. Both costumes and script won "Oscars".

"Only One Lesson" on the theme of some unsuccessful driving was Luton Ward's presentation, which gave them the opportunity to show some beautiful Edwardian costumes. Romford Ward's show was called "Dr. Scholl's Shoe Box". Croydon Branch's "Moonlight Escapade" won them "Oscars" for scenery, in particular a magnificent moon rocket, and for lighting. "Put the World Right" was Epsom's choice, which was really remarkable for its original music composed by Dorothy and Bill Sheppard, and won them an "Oscar".

In all over 150 people took part in the shows, and over 300 watched in the performances.

★ Nearly 20 Beehive girls, with their parents and leaders enjoyed a Stake Beehive Honour Night on July 26th. Stake Beekeeper, Fawn Bartholemew, organised the event with the aid of the ward beekeepers. The Flower Ceremony was performed by the Gatherer of Beehive girls, and the Hive-Building Ceremony by the Guardian Beehive girls. Mothers of the Epsom Ward girls sang the song "My Beehive Girl" and groups of girls from different wards sang the various Beehive songs. Dawn Floyd of Epsom Ward and Susan Bradley of South London Ward talked on the Beehive class awards, and Pauine Doggett, Stake YWMIA president, spoke on the importance of the achievement behind the award.

Refreshments mirrored the Beehive colours of brown, gold and blue, with yellow fruit punch and yellow sponge cakes decorated with chocolate icing and blue Beehive motifs.

SOUTH WEST BRITISH MISSION

★ On Saturday August 2nd, an Activity Day was held under the direction of CORNWALL District YWMIA President Crystal Pearce and her counsellors.

The fun started with a four mile sponsored walk organised by Lesley-Margaret Seddon, and ended at Portreath beach where Elisabeth Bray soon had everyone enjoying games and a Baseball match.

In the evening a Folk Dance was held in the Redruth Hall, with Mr. John Searle of the Kernew 900 Folk Dance club in charge of the proceedings. Over 70 members and friends took part in the activities, and £10 was raised for the M.I.A. funds. Refreshments were generously provided by the Relief Society sisters.

★ At a recent District Conference, Graham and Crystal Pearce were presented with their Master M Man and Golden Gleaner awards by President Albert Gadsby, a counsellor to the Mission President.

Brother Pearce is the Cornwall District President and Sis. Pearce the District YWMIA President.

★ St. Austell Branch held a social in July, to welcome Brother and Sister Maurice Baker from Utah, who are full time missionaries now serving in the branch as Branch President and auxiliary advisor.

Members from other branches were also present, and everyone had an enjoyable evening of games and dancing organised by Philip Rogers.

★ A great-grand-daughter of President Wilford Woodruff is currently serving as a missionary in the British South Mission and she and her husband are assigned to the London Temple.

Bro. & Sis. Arnold S. Perry of the Glines Ward, Ashley Stake, Vernal, Eastern Utah, have two children and 10 grandchildren. Bro. Perry filled a mission in the Western States and also a stake mission. They have held positions in all of the auxiliaries.

Sis. Perry worked 20 years as a secretary for the school board in eastern Utah. Bro. Perry also worked for the Uintah School District and farmed. He was president of the ward choir and she was ward organist.

CENTRAL BRITISH MISSION

★ A happy bunch of saints from HEREFORD travelled to Weston-super-Mare recently to take part in a volleyball tournament organised by the local branch. They managed to reach the final, but were beaten by Bristol two sets to one. This did not daunt their spirits however, and they expressed their gratitude to all the Weston saints for a most memorable weekend.

★ Karen Bandy, a young member of the BEDFORD Branch, recently won a scholarship to visit Belgium for one week. To win this award, Karen had to have a knowledge of the people of

Hereford volleyball team.



Hereford Jr. Sunday School with Supt. Graham Burton, Sis. Myra Burton, the co-ordinator and teachers Elder Bunjes and Julie Prosser.



Belgium, their religion, education, politics and finance. The competition was judged by the wife of the Belgium Ambassador. Karen's sister, Kristine, also won an identical award the previous month, so they will be going together.

The Bedford M.I.A. celebrated pioneer Day on July 26th, with all the settlers and their wimmin, going to St. Peter's Hall for a fine social. Everyone wore their western duds and there was plenty of good grub and lots of singin!

BRITISH MISSION

★ On August 5th the NORWICH M.I.A. held their closing social. Trevor Bidle conducted the evening's entertainment,

which was devoted mostly to music, some of which was selected by those who attended, and the remainder was provided by the Branch Group, "The Clowns". Fifty people participated not only in the dancing but also in games of skill and comedy. Refreshments of hot dogs concluded a successful evening.

SUNDERLAND STAKE

★ Nine members of the PETERLEE Branch spent an enjoyable week at the Temple from July 25th to August 2nd. They had the pleasure of performing 500 baptisms and 85 endowments, and they also enjoyed the company of about 40 members from the Dundee District.

SCOTTISH MISSION

★ The Branch Primaries of the Scottish North District held their Trail Builder Round-Up on July 23rd at the Bingham Terrace Chapel, Dundee. It was well supported by the boys, their fathers and teachers.

The Trail Builders explained to their visitors the path they had travelled during the past year in Primary, whilst along the trail to the Priesthood. Afterwards there were some energetic games followed by a sing-song in true campfire style.

The evening finished with a meal of minced beef pie and beans, trifle and orangeade. The cultural hall had been appropriately decked out to suit the occasion, the masterpiece being the kitchen hatch decorated in the form of a covered wagon.

★ Mothers and daughters of the Scottish North District had an enjoyable evening in the Dundee East Chapel when the Branch Primaries met together for their Lihoma Holiday on Aug. 20th. This year's theme was International Travel, and the games and decorations were chosen appropriately.

During the evening four girls from the Dundee East Branch, and two girls from the Kirkcaldy Branch were presented with their Graduation Scrolls by the District Primary Pres. Anne Crook. Journey's end for the evening's travel was a very appetising buffet supper.

★ On Aug. 2nd a picnic was planned for members and friends of the ABERDEEN Branch, but the weatherman was not good to the Latter-day Saints, and the picnic had to be held in the cultural hall. Fifty people attended and there were pies, sandwiches, biscuits, cakes, crisps and orange juice for all, plus the usual games and fun, so everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves despite the weather.

The branch suffered another disappointment on the 16th, when vandals tore out rose bushes, broke them and scattered the pieces and petals all over the lovely lawns. The Church garden was due to be judged in the Annual Garden Competition, in which they took first place last year. Pres. Tommy Thomson worked hard to restore the damaged garden, even though he was supposed to be on holiday, and fortunately the vandals had missed another display of roses, so when the judges arrived on the Tuesday, Aberdeen Branch were still able to give a good showing, and their efforts gained them 2nd place.

LEICESTER STAKE

★ Graham Stott, who has just finished 3 years at Jesus College, Oxford, where he gained his B.A., has now been called on a full time mission in the British South Mission. Whilst at Oxford, he helped to form the Deseret Club, the first of its kind organised outside

the American continent. He later became president of the club, and helped to organise the first two All British L.D.S. Students' Conventions. Although Graham belongs to the Oxford Branch in the British South Mission, his home branch is at Walsall in the Leicester Stake.

★ Nearly £100 was made for the Walsall Branch Building Fund by a sponsored walk on July 19th. It was an ideal day, dry but not too hot, and apart from the money obtained, the fun and friendship made it a day to remember.

Trade was brisk at the L.D.S. stall on WALSALL market on Aug. 16th. The local Corporation allows one free stall a year to each charity, and this particular day was the turn of the Church. Home made bread, cakes, pastries and jam were sold as fast as they arrived, and the second hand clothing was also very popular. Lots of extra coat hangers were lent by a shop across the road from the stall, and such friendliness added to the pleasure of the day.

The stall was well advertised by members handing out handbills at all entrances to the market, and a profit of £50 was made. The sisters found it hard work, but enjoyed being part of the Market life.

★ TIME in all its forms was portrayed in the Stake Roadshow this year, from "doing time" of convicts to "Summer-time on the Beach". There was great variety in the shows and for the large audience, plenty of fun and laughter. The stake was divided into two zones to choose two entries for the Stake Central British Mission M.Men/Gleaner Convention at Nottingham University in September.

The overall winner was Woodsetton, with a very slick and colourful presentation. The groan jokes of their "woodworms" popping out of a large grandfather clock were loved by the audience. The winner in the other zone was Nottingham, another bright and cheerful production featuring a cuckoo clock.

The judges were very pleased with the high standard and specially praised the script of the Derby Ward, and the costumes of Walsall. Bob Sherratt was an excellent compere, while Leicester Folk group and John Mills of Walsall ensured continuity with their singing between shows.

Points awarded by the adjudicators are as follows:-

Zone One:	Zone Two:
Nottingham 182.	Woodsetton 183.
Birmingham 169.	Leicester 176.
Walsall 136.	Mansfield 150.
Sth Birmingham 135.	Derby 148.

★ "The Mormons are here with a BANG", said the large colourful poster on the front of the carnival lorry, and sure enough it proved true to the word! In fact the Woodsetton saints could not have caused a bigger bang at Tipton Carnival if they had tried. It happened when their outsize lorry, the biggest in the parade, carrying their float "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang" tried to enter the Jubilee Park gates, and not surprisingly got stuck.

With flustered policemen scratching their hot brows in desperation and thousands of anxious visitors baking in the fierce sun unable to get in to enjoy the Carnival fun, the situation looked impossible. Then someone suggested knocking down the large admission shed, which promptly fell apart, and at last the troublesome lorry, with its embarrassed saints, was able to sail through to its destination smoothly.

Naturally enough, the mishaps only added to the fun of the day, and despite the confusion they caused, the Judges considered their gay entry worthy of third prize in the adults section. That made the toil and worry of the preceeding weeks worth while.

Woodsetton Ward presented a colourful 2½ hour Variety Show, for the benefit of a group of old aged pensioners recently. After the opening number, "There's no business like Show Business", which included the whole company, John Bond got up to his old tricks

as a master magician. Then a moustached Margaret Davies and pig-tailed Gwenda Hughes appeared as rip-roaring "Glen and Ellie May" in their hilarious "Buttons and Bows" number. A more sobering touch was given by Helen Craven singing and Enid Smith playing the zither, and then another lively spot with Chris Rollason, Maureen Cross and Lynn Harrison inviting some of the old people to ex-artist Harry Harrison of the "West Bromwich News" had the audience in stiches with his Black Country poems and jokes.

Also in the show were the Relief Society, the Wednesfield Folk Group, comedian Bob Stanton, Maureen Nichol, Lynn Harrison, Gill Egginton, Lori Snaith and show organiser Sandra Rowe. The evening closed with a round of community singing, and the old folks were reluctant to go home after their spectacular night out.

CONGRATULATIONS

BIRTHS

★ March 25th—To Rupert and Mae Rock, Lisbury Branch, a daughter, Beryl Michell and a sister for Rupert and Carol.

★ March 31st—To Michael and Sandra Adamson, York Branch, North British Mission, a son, Craig John.

★ June 24th—To Alwyn and Pauline Pooley, York Branch, North British Mission, a daughter Wendy Jayne.

★ July 1st—To John and Kathleen Gore, York Branch, North British Mission, a son, Matthew John.

★ July 14th—To Raymond and Jean Yoward, York Branch, North British Mission, a daughter, Marie Clare.

★ July 15th—To Jack and Jean Perkis, Leeds Stake, a son, Andrew.

★ July 30th—To William and Heather Kilgour, Norwich Branch, British Mission, a son, Andrew John.

★ August 1st—To Alan and Rosalind Whyte, (nee Cullingford) Norwich Branch, British Mission, a son, Robert Alan.

★ August 2nd—To Gary and Patricia Price, (nee McElderry) formerly of Peterlee Branch, now of Ogden, Utah, a son, Lorey Ernest.

★ June 14th—To Margaret and John Trevor of Croydon Branch, London Stake, a son, Justin Daniel.

★ To Derek and Muriel Cuthbert, Birmingham Ward, Leicester Stake, tenth child—sixth daughter, Jenny May.

MARRIAGES

★ On Saturday, June 28th, Alan Downing and Barbara Goodenough were married in the Newton Aycliffe Chapel by the groom's father, Bishop Downing. Christopher Peacock acted as bestman and the little bridesmaids were Alison and Aileen Downing and Janet Goodenough. The bride wore a dress of cream brocade and was given away by her father.



LATE NEWS

BRITISH MISSION

★ On July 19th the ESSEX District Primary Rally was held at Southend Chapel and about 100 people took part in the races and games organised by Primary Pres. Sister Pope, and Clinton Lee, 2nd counsellor in the District Presidency. The children had all sorts of fun including a "limbo" stick contest. Parents and other adults were also given a chance to show their skills at all the events. Some of the members present had walked 23 miles from GRAYS Branch, to raise money for M.I.A. funds to pay convention costs. It was a grand effort raising over £33, only one did not cover the whole distance, he only managed 18 miles, but for a lad of 7 years that was not bad!

The District M.I.A. held a combined Midsummer Night Dance on July 26th at Southend. The theme was Shakespear's Midsummer Nights Dream", and during the interval the "Grand March" for the Convention was performed.

M.I.A. again used Southend Chapel on August 2nd for the Roadshow Finals. Three branches competed, the standard of the entries being very high. The theme was "Climb every Mountain". Grays Branch chose a mountain hut in a tumbled down shape that was to be the convention home of a group, and how this "mountainous" problem was overcome.

Chelmsford branch went animal and turned the mountain into a molehill. Their story was of a fat lazy mole who finally saw his goal and with the help of his animal friends, a spider, a wasp and a ladybird, (all dressed in painted cardboard costumes) and his cousin from Australia, he overcame his mountain.

The winning show was that of Ilford branch, who had two missionaries sent to the hilly-billy township of "Every", and how these two lads faced up to the problems of hilly-billy "Feudin and fightin". The story ended when they found the treasure that all the rumpus was about, up the mountain. It was the Golden Plates or the Book of Mormon.

HAMBURG STAKE LEADERS PLAN

BRITISH TOUR

★ A very happy evening was spent at the Central British Mission Home in August, when leaders of the HAMBURG Stake M.I.A. joined Mission leaders in a fireside testimony meeting.

Plans were also made for a group of 40/50 young people from the Hamburg Stake to tour the Mission in 1970. This will be part of a two week visit, combining holiday with dance and singing presentations for the benefit of the English saints and their friends.

B.Sc. Degree Earned With Honours

★ STEWART THOMAS MILLAR, son of Bro. and Sis. T. N. L. Millar has been awarded a B.Sc. degree with honours by Queens University, Belfast.

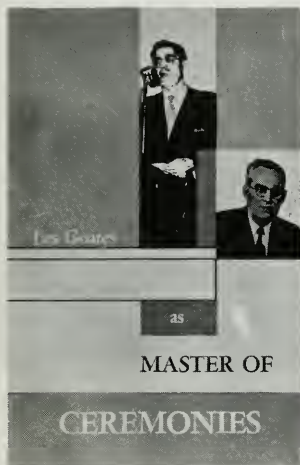
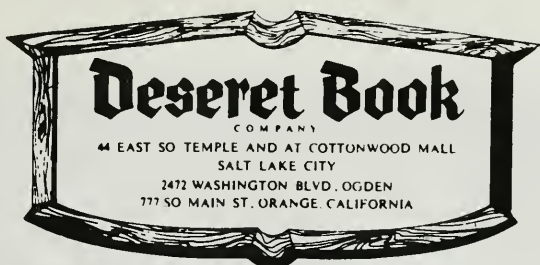
Stewart has always been a hard worker both at school and in church offices. He went from primary school to Newtownwards Technical when he was eleven, and gained his Junior and Senior Certificates with distinctions and credits, he then left to take up an apprenticeship with International Computers. At evening classes he gained both Junior and Senior trade Scholarships which enabled him to attend Belfast Technical College full time. In the two years that followed he was awarded his Ordinary National Certificate and then went on to Queens University.

At the same time he continued to be active in the Church, and being interested in Scouting served as a Patrol Leader and for sometime as assistant Scout Master. He was also secretary to both M.I.A. and Sunday



School, and then he became Sunday School Superintendent. At Mountpottinger Branch, he was a counsellor to the Branch President, but was released from this position during his final year at University.

Stewart has now left his native Belfast and moved to England to take up a position as Trainee Systems Analyst with International Computers Ltd., at Stevenage, Herts.



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Georgia Stake Dance teams performing at June Conference festival.

A First Visit To M. I. A. June Conference

By Mary Pochin

There was bustle and activity in Manchester and the home of President Weightman on June 22nd. Saints were arriving from all over Britain at bus and train stations. A shuttle service of all available cars were directed to meet them. There was a warm welcome at President Weightman's, and then a redirection off to sleeping quarters so kindly provided by Manchester Saints so that all should

be ready for the early start next morning. It was a warm and happy start to our flight to Salt Lake City and June Conference.

We certainly were made to feel at home when we got there too, with cool rain laid on with the warm American welcome. But June weather did come, and there was conference,

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Elders Craig Paterson, and left Brian H. Noyce, presenting discussions on lesson to Sis. Doris Donaldson of Belfast.

Riots Bring New Experiences To Missionaries In Ireland

By Monitor C. Noyce

Within the riot area of Belfast, Ireland, is one of the newest branches in the Church. The branch is less than two months old but many of its members are stalwarts fortified with strong testimonies.

Attending the Belfast Central Branch

on August 10th, Sister Noyce and I and our son, Elder Brian H. Noyce, a missionary in this district, and his companion Elder Craig Peterson, we found the same wonderful spirit and greeting which prevails at all Latter-day Saint gatherings.

Fortunately none of the Church members had been caused any suffering or misfortune though many of the Central Branch membership live on the Shankill Road, Crumlin Road, and other streets which have figured in the riot news.

During the first riot, the first week in August, the branch Saturday evening social was cancelled because of the riot. On Sunday the branch membership met conjointly with the Cavehill Branch, the parent branch, from which the Central Branch was formed the previous month.

Branch Pres. Alan Pritchard is the only High Priest in the branch. He and his family moved to Belfast only 18 months ago from Manchester, England. He noted that the branch hall was not affected by the mobs, but the sub-post office on the ground floor of the building on Shankill Road had its windows smashed.

As we toured the area we saw the block upon blocks of destruction, hundreds of windows broken, several buildings burned. Residents of the area stand in front of their homes with a look of suspicion upon strangers attracted to the scene, and wary as to "what is next." (Since our visit there of course, more serious rioting flared the following week, in which troops and arms were used to bring an eerie peace to the area.)

It is difficult to believe that such rampant destruction was caused in the name of religion, in this day when man is said to be so civilised.

That Saturday night (Aug. 2nd) two missionaries, filled with the peace and spirit of the Lord, calmly went about giving a fifth discussion lesson to an investigator, in the centre of all the violence. Elders Peterson and Noyce, both of Salt Lake City, continued their discussion despite the brick-throwing, screaming atmosphere less than 10 feet from them in the street outside the windows.

"There was an awful noise. It sounded like a herd of cattle coming down the street," said Sister Doris Donaldson, their investigator. (She was baptised Aug. 14). "I heard the mob say, 'let's put somebody out.'"

"How terrible," Elder Noyce remarked.

"We looked out into the street and saw hundreds of people running past as the riot police charged them," Sis. Donaldson said.

Her neighbour next door, Sis. Carol Holmes, who joined the Church early in the year, was the only member of the Branch injured in the riots. The mother of three small children, she had some difficulty in getting the children to settle down that night. Late in the evening she stepped outside her front door just as the riot police made

a charge on the mobsters. As the mob turned to flee, one of them kicked Sis. Holmes on her ankle.

"There was so much noise no one could sleep. It was terribly noisy for three nights. It was 5 o'clock in the morning before I got to sleep," said Sister Holmes.

Elder Peterson said he and his companion saw much looting going on in the area.

A number of families in a neighbourhood of the minority (Protestants were dragged from their homes, by the Catholics, their furniture stacked in the street and burned. In retaliation the Protestants went to the area where Catholics are in the minority and told them they had one hour to get out. Later the same evening an "exchange" of houses for the minorities of each

area was arranged. Since then the Union Jack has flown from the houses seemingly as a token of protection.

Also during this period of unrest in Belfast the Mormon missionaries have been assisting the local branch members, particularly Rosetta, to finish its new chapel. Generally missionaries no longer help with construction but because of a very rigid construction schedule missionaries have given one half of their preparation day in the past several weeks to speed the completion of the chapel.

The proselyting efforts of the missionaries and reactivation of a number of one-time good members means that the branches are growing. The new Central Branch already has outgrown its present quarters and Pres. Pritchard hopes soon to have a larger hall made available.

SUNDERLAND WARD

★ Sunderland's history dates back to Saxon times when it was known as Wearmouth and since that time it has grown to be the largest city in the county of Durham. Until recently it enjoyed the privilege of being the largest shipbuilding town in total tonnage in the world. The Church of St. Peter which was built in the sixth century at the mouth of the Wear is still in existence. A coastal resort, Sunderland has a very fine beach and promenade at Roker and

Seaburn. The main industries are shipbuilding and mining. The population is about 200,000 citizens.

The Stake House, completed in March 1965, is in Sunderland. Elder James A. Cullimore, Assistant to the Twelve, dedicated it on Sept. 1, 1967. Previous to this time meetings were held at 18 Tunstall Road, originally an old converted garage which was extended and made inhabitable by the strenuous efforts of the saints who spent many hours cleaning and re-decorating.



Inverness branch members at Black Isle Beach Party.

Successful Beach Party Held By Inverness Branch

★ A very successful beach party was held recently at the famous Black Isle and Moray Firth area by the Inverness Branch of the Scottish Mission.

Branch Pres. Alan S. Condie reports 45 members present plus several from the Elgin Branch 45 miles distant and an investigator family of seven.

After taking the ferry from South Kessock a bus took the group through scenic country to the beach at Rosemackie. Here swimming, football and a "general good time" was enjoyed

by all.

Sis. Williamson, Relief Society president and Sis. Ross, her secretary, supervised the food preparation.

Pres. Condie reports the branch is growing "with a wonderful spirit and six recent converts. We feel particularly blessed, in view of the fact, that we have had only one convert baptism in the last five years. Attendance and contributions have doubled. The Lord continues to bless us and we will have more convert baptisms in the future."

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printer and custodian and she is invoice clerk in the purchasing and furnishings office.

The Bennetts have two sons, the eldest of which recently married.

During his more than 21 years in the Church Bro. Bennett has served three times as branch president, in every position in the Sunday School and numerous other jobs. He joined

the Church at Rugby where a chapel is now planned.

Diane, married, lives in Sutton and is a member of the Epsom Ward.

Heather Green came to the Construction Department nearly a year ago firstly as receptionist and the past several months as secretary to Bro. Dent. Her father is in charge of the Real Estate Department. She is age-group counselor in the YWMIA.

Star Exerpts

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"Everyone almost has peculiarly original traits of character. Those that are noble can be improved by cultivation, and the pernicious ones may be overcome."

"We are unused to self-criticism. Some of our very faults we mistake for virtues. Until we can learn the habit of home correction we need not

hope to become very nearly perfect."

"Self reproof may bring no laurels while we tarry on this earth, but it is a triumph over ignorance and blindness of which the angels will take note. Cultivate then a disposition to be entirely honest with 'myself' and in doing so, you will be very sure to deal fairly with others." From woman's Exponent ...

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OF CORNWALL

'Twas green the hill I walked upon
And soft the grass I sat thereon
To reflect and see
All that passed before me
In sight, in thought,
As the Cornish wind brought
To me
A peacefulness.
I saw the gorse, thorny, fair
Golden flowers dotting her hair
Strewn o'er the earth until
Passage was nil:
On that noble countryside
Where I went there to abide
Of times past,
Forever gone.
I heard the surf of the pounding sea
It told the tale of its shores to me;
The castle ruins where men were slain
Beside the scars of modern wars pain;
But now, a peaceful scene
Sweet and clean
As it had been
When He came.
I saw the coastline round and spread
A watery grave for those mislead
The granite hedges roadside along
Told the tale of whose land did belong
The narrow roads did to me look
Like those seen in a fairy tale book;
From reality into fantasy
For moments only.
I then recalled the Englishmen I knew
As I thought, my fondness grew;
The people, the land, the whispering sea
What did it all mean to me?
A love for all that was to be
For this above all
I thank Thee.

—by Duane Jensen, of Logan, Utah
(former missionary in the Southwest British Mission)

ON THE CLIFFS OF OLD TYNEMOUTH

Oh, the cliffs of Old Tynemouth
 They're wild and they're sweet
 And dear are the waters that roll at their feet,
 And the old ruined abbey, it ne'er shall depart.
 'Tis joy of my fancy, the home of my heart
 Oh 'twas there that my childhood fled cheerful and gay.
 There I loitered the morning of boyhood away.
 And now as I wander the old beach alone,
 The waves seem to whisper the names that are gone.
 Other lands may be fairer but nought can be seen
 Like the shore where our first love and boyhood have been.
 Oh! give me the cliffs and the wild rolling sea,
 The cliffs of Old Tynemouth forever for me.

THE SAVIOUR

I never saw Him on the hill
 Or standing on the shore alone,
 I never heard His voice, but know
 His words, as if they were my own.
 I never watched Him teach the crowd
 Or saw His face, or marked the way
 He broke the bread or healed the sick,
 Yet still His presence, all the day
 Is with me, and within my eyes,
 My heart, this very soul of mine
 He sees and feels and knows the thoughts
 His spirit leads me all the time.

—Carol Kraus
 Middlesborough Ward



Members charter flight waiting at Manchester airport.

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and the centenary of the Young Women's Mutual Improvement Association, and all the activities associated with it.

To one first coming to June conference, its gaiety and vitality stand out. From the early morning queuing in Temple Square to the sound of scouts singing, to the final talk in the tabernacle, there was a youthful joy. And everywhere was colour—the brilliant masses of petunias against the white walls in Temple Square, the green and gold swathes round the tabernacle balcony, the bowls of

golden flowers, and the attractive yellow dresses of the girls centennial chorus which made a field of gold up to the organ.

There was additional 'colour' in the music too, with the spine chilling trumpets in the centennial hymn which followed the conference telegrams from the highest in the land and church. Then between the talks were the dramatic representations—the moving introduction to the MIA theme, the colourful and spirited musical parent-youth programme. Who wouldn't want to save and queue to go there?

But there was so much else to see

Some of the passengers on plane en route to MIA June Conference.



—road shows, music and drama festivals, a centennial sunrise service —another visit would be needed to sample them all.

For the British visitor there was the additional excitement of seeing the Glasgow Stake Scottish Dance team in the dance festival, and noticing the Union Jack badge on the breast of Sister Pauline Doggett of the YWMIA President of London Stake, as she sat on the stand in the tabernacle before giving the opening prayer to the Friday afternoon conference session.

Most of all, of course, was the spirituality gained from the talks of the General Authorities, highlighted by

the emotion felt as the whole tabernacle congregation rose to sing 'carry on'—tears flowed and hearts seemed as if they would burst as the organ pealed out and voices rose in that final, "Youth of the noble birth-right, carry on, carry on, carry on."

So it was a happy and inspired plane-load of saints that flew home on July 14th—they had even had an extra day there too, owing to bad weather holding up the plane, while some of the members stayed at the Hotel Utah!—and all are very grateful for all President Weightman did in organising the trip.



Aberdeen Sisters at a work meeting.

Unique Relief Society Presidency

★ There is a unique Relief Society Presidency in the Aberdeen Branch of the Scottish Mission. Pres. Francis Dunlop comes from Palmerston, New Zealand, and her 1st counselor Peggy Albiston was brought up in India and lived there for 20 years. 2nd Counsellor Fay Christie was previously President

of the Falkirk Branch, before moving to Aberdeen. They have used the ideas and customs from their various countries to make their Relief Society interesting, entertaining and instructive. All have wide experience in Church activities and enjoy Relief Society work.



R.A. Pres. Francis Dunlop, Counsellors Peggy Albiston and Fay Christie; Sec. Lorraine Fraser.



The plea of many in this lay is, that we have no right to receive revelations; but if we do not get revelations, we do not have the oracles of God; and if they have not the oracles of God they are not the people of God. But say you, What will become of the world, or the various professors of religion who do not believe in revelation and the oracles of God as continued to His Church in all ages of the world, when He has a people on earth? I tell you, in the name of Jesus Christ, they will be damned; and when you get into the eternal world, you will find it will be so, they cannot escape the damnation of hell.

—Joseph Smith

